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STAT [] a lawyer with OGC, called me on 18 May to ask for information about the origins of the prohibition on law enforcement functions, in President Truman's 1946 directive establishing the Central Intelligence Group. Since that provision was incorporated without change in the 1947 National Security Act, the original drafters' intentions could be important in the Agency's current studies of this matter. I am researching this matter.

STAT [] provided a quick response by phone on 18 May to a query from [] IMS [] provoked by the allegations in the 16 May "Sixty Minutes" broadcast that the U.S. Government had sponsored ex-Nazis' entry into this country after World War II. [] gave her key dates in OPC's development, and also referred her to Book IV of the Church Committee's Report. STAT

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On 19 May I attended a morning seminar on the Vietnam War at the U.S. Marine Corps Historical Center, Washington Navy Yard.

STAT Having received a copy of Tom Troy's Donovan and the CIA, I delivered it to Al Goldberg, Chief of the Defense Department's History Staff, who had requested it last week. I used the occasion to get a briefing on his office's contract arrangements for non-staff writers and editors. The kind of contracts they use seem to offer a number of advantages over the consultants' arrangements we have been using. [] DCI/Admin. Officer, is looking into the feasibility of our using similar contracts in future.

STAT [] continues his research and interviews for his Cold War study, while [] has completed a summary list of a collection of OLC documents and history drafts received last January from Legislative Liaison. [] is on leave 21-31 May, and I am attending a two-day FOIA course at OTE, 27-28 May. STAT

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